TWICE A WEEK

RAT PORTAGE MINER

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

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Popular Wants.

LOST on Monday, Nov. 4th, between L. J. McDiarmids and Keenora dock a pair of gold-rimmed glasses. Finder will please leave with R. T. Graham and be rewarded. 2

$10 A MONTH—House to Rent in desirable locality: 8 rooms and large basement: furnace: water: electric light. Apply at Miner Office.

FOR SALE—About 175 acres on the west end of Treaty Island—D90. Said to be heavily timbered, with about 65 acres good arable land. Apply to W. J. Moran.

TO RENT—That good business stand on Main street now occupied by J. Nickless, Barber, on and after Nov. 1st. Apply on the premises.

RESIDENCE FOR SALE—Situated in good section of Rat Portage. Apply at Miner Office, or to F. J. Bowman, 3204 First Avenue S, Minneapolis, Minn.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET—House centrally located; all modern improvements. Apply Miner Office. 88

FOUND—A Beaded Bird Ornament. Owner can have same on applying at this office.

TEACHER WANTED AT ONCE.—For S. S. No. 9, Morley and Dilke Rainy River. Apply to H. Proctor Secy-Treas., Pinewood, Ont.

$15.00 TO $18.00 A WEEK salary for an intelligent man or woman in each town. Permanent position 30c per hour for spare time. Manufacturer, Box 78, Philadelphia.

HOUSE TO RENT

STONE Dwelling house in Rideout Estate, known as Doyle cottage. Apply to Wm J. MORAN, 53tf Barrister.

DROWNED IN THE BAY.

The Treacherous Ice Claims Another Victim. Mr. August Nelson.

Mr. August Nelson broke through the thin ice near Lang's Point last night and was drowned. The unfortunate man, who is a Swede, 38 years of age, was last seen at Henry Lee's, Main street, about 11 o'clock last night, when he left for home. Early this morning his friends became anxious as deceased had never reached his home, and on investigation being made, his tracks were discovered on the ice, which being followed led direct to Lang's Point where there is a strong current. An alarm was at once raised and a number of citizens began a search for the body. There was a large hole broken through the ice, and deceased had evidently succeeded in getting out, as tracks were observed showing where he had crawled some distance, only however to break through again, this time to go to his death. The grappling irons were obtained and the cold work of dragging for the body was undertaken by Mr. Henry Lee and a small party of plucky Swedes, whose movements on the yielding and cracking ice were watched with great anxiety by a crowd on shore. A small boat being run out Mr. Lee got in and, broke the ice for some distance, finally bringing the body to the surface at about 11 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Nelson is an old time Rat Portager, having worked for many years for the Ross, Hall & Brown firm, and afterward for the Rat Portage Lumber Company. He was unmarried and had no relatives in this country. He was a thrifty and industrious citizen, being possessed of some property, and [illegible] table sum of money in [illegible] only theory so far [illegible] for Nelson being [illegible] point is that he had [illegible] while attempting to [illegible] across the [illegible]

GOLDEM HORN.

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threw himself heartily into the work, and discharged the onerous duties of secretary-treasurer in a manner which won him unstinted praise from the Board's Executive. Among his newspaper brethren here and throughout the west, Mr. Hunt's jovial nature and lively wit make him a prime favorite, and his loss will be keenly felt both here and by the Western Canada Press Association. The Miner wishes Mr. Hunt increased prosperity in the new field he has chosen.

NEEPAWA MINE STARTING.

H. D. Alston is Completing Deal for Operation of the Mine.

Mr. H. D. Alston, of Wabigoon is in St. Paul completing a deal and necessary arrangements for the starting up of the Lower Neepawa mine in the Manitou, and it is expected that the property will be in full blast by December 20th. Mr. Alston has made arrangements for the use of the Glass Roof mill, where Neepawa ore will be treated until a mill is erected on the claim. Mr. Alston is expected back in Wabigoon in a few days.

Dr. Spencer's Lecture.

Old London was never more minutely or gracefully described to a Rat Portage audience than in the address by Dr. Spencer in the Baptist church Thursday evening last. He did not talk to any length on the old worn out subjects of St. Paul's, Westminster Abbey, etc., but entered into the life of the city and gave much information about the government of the metropolis, its numerous mayors and the Lord Mayor. The lecture was very instructive and one of the best heard here.

Mrs. Garner, Mrs. Sigmilson and Mr. Carpenter entertained the audience prior to the lecture in their usual splendid manner. Miss Weldman was the accompanist.

THE NEW BAPTIST PASTOR.

Rev. David Reddick, of Denver, Col., Accepts Call to the Tabernacle.

The Rev. David Reddick, a Canadian, but of Denver, Col., has accepted a call to the Baptist Tabernacle in Rat Portage, and will be here for next Sunday. The new pastor is a man of experience, sociability, cordial and of great common sense and [illegible]ity. His western experience will be of great service here, and as a preacher he is considered number one. Mr. Reddick is a married man, and comes to settle in what he believes to be a town with a future. He has been [illegible]ected by a board of thirty, promising Baptist pastors and business men [illegible] response to the church's request. [illegible]er. Spencer has succeeded in preparing the congregation for the new [illegible] into the breach and made

ST. ANDREW'S BANQUET.

The Merry, Witty and Eloquent Scots Honor Their Patron Saint.

Last Friday evening, observed throughout the civilized world as the eve of St. Andrew's Day, was fittingly celebrated by local sons of Scotland who assembled in the big dining room of the Hilliard House, and held a national feast and fête. Greeting telegrams were received from St. Andrew's Societies in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and Winnipeg, and our own Scots sent out a message which we can say, without egotism was one of the finest pieces of poetic sentiment published that day in the Dominion. Our greeting was:

"A glass to the King, to thy Empire anither,
An' twa tae auld Scotland, our ain country mither:
To the land where we live and where maybe we'll die
We'll jist tak' sufficient to wet thither eye.

That's our texts. What's yours?

The cities above named sent texts as follows:

Montreal, Nov. 29, 1901.

W. A. Weir, Rat Portage:

It's a far cry to Lochowe frae here and yo're as far again, but distance counts for nocht the nicht when Scotland claims her own. Barclay.

Toronto, Nov. 29, 1901.

To President St. Andrew's Society, Rat Portage:

We're Eppend aye tae Providence an' sae will we yet.

George Kennedy.

Winnipeg, Nov. 29, 1901.

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The far frae hame we're no' ast doon. Our fest trip tae the bildies. See tise glass in hand and quaff and say:

"Here's tae Scotland And St. Andrew's Day."

John Russell,
Pres't, Winnipeg St. Andrew's Lodge.

Ottawa, Nov. 29, 1901.

To President St. Andrew's Society, Rat Portage:

Fraternal greetings to the brither Scots of yom society. Nae reflections on others nor so favored.

D. B. MacTavish, President.

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had a considerable sum of money in the bank. The only theory so far advanced to account for Nelson being over at Lang's Point is that he had missed his way while attempting to take a short cut across the ice from Henry Lee's to his home in the south ward.

GOLDEM HORN.

The Rush Bay Golden Horn Mining Company is taking a strong hold upon public confidence in St. John, N.B. and other Eastern centres. With a capitalization of $250,000 the organizers paid into the treasury 20 cents per dollar share for their stock, and sold a block to the public at the same price. Another block was offered to the public at 30 cents, which has all been sold, and the company is not offering any more stock at present. Under the local management of Mr. H. Ridout a new shaft has been sunk to a depth of 60 feet and it is the intention to push the shaft down to 100 feet before drifting or cross-cutting. A complete shaft house has been erected and steam hoist and pump installed. An addition is now being built to the men's camp and as soon as completed the miners will be increased to a double shift. The shaft is 6x12 feet and follows the vein, which dips very slightly from the vertical. When the shaft reached 35 feet in depth the vein filled the bottom, and in the further sinking the vein has become wider than the shaft, a portion of it being left on the hanging wall. The values in the ore are very satisfactory, assaying from $8 to $14.50 per ton, exclusive of visible gold, which is met with in every sink.

A RAILROAD PROJECT.

Interviewed by the Winnipeg Telegram Mr. Conmee had the following to say in regard to the railroad running north and south: "There is an application from a party of American capitalists for a charter to construct a line from Fort Frances northwesterly to Fort Nelson on Hudson's Bay. The road will be from 800 to 1,000 miles in length and will pass near Rat Portage. Fort Frances and English River will be the Ontario terminals. The road will also extend south from Fort Frances to St. Paul

MR. HUNT RETIRES.

Mr. W. H. He[illegible] business manager of the News, has severed his connection with that [illegible] to take a position in Vancouver, and will leave [illegible] company with his wife and family for [illegible] new home in a few days. During the time Mr. Hunt has been in Rat Portage he made hosts of friends, and in his capacity of business manager of the News, he attracted and kept confidence of the merchants and business public. The Board of Trade loses a valued member in Mr. Hunt, who

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Dr. Spencer has succeeded in preparing the congregation for the new pastor, and on Tuesday evening, Dec. 10, will give the balance of his time on "Old London," bid farewell to the many friends he has made and aid in the public reception to the new pastor. Thus the meeting will have a threefold character. The admission will be free, but there will be a collection, both of which will go to the hospital aid fund. The ladies of the society will furnish the music, and altogether the meeting will be quite unique. Everybody is invited. It is hoped the mayor will preside.

The Lewis Town Council has adopted a by-law making vaccination compulsory within its jurisdiction.

A domestic science and kindergarten teacher has been engaged for the Renfrew schools at a salary of $[illegible] per year.

On receipt of the news that prohibition had been substained, many of the Winnipeg hotelmen were expressing their sympathy for Mr. John Kennedy of Morden, who has recently erected one of the finest hotels in the province at a cost of $50,000, they state that a sure loss awaits him.

A little over a week ago Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kennedy of the Township of Wolford, about two miles from Merrickville, were both taken ill with pneumonia and both died, the former at 1 p.m. and the former on at [illegible] only seventeen [illegible] they were fully 75 years [illegible] had [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] Smith [illegible] N.S. [illegible] company [illegible] America [illegible] manufacture [illegible] the old [illegible] the Sidney [illegible] office in New York [illegible] the purpose of getting a share of the trade. The manufacture of [illegible] at Sidney will begin January 1.

The Winnipeg municipality candidates have replied to the Ministerial association's query on the [illegible] evil.

Miss Adelaide Tait, daughter of Mr. Robt. Tait, Silver Heights, was killed in a runaway accident in Winnipeg

The far frae hame we're no fast doon. Our feet trip tae the fiddles. Sae rise glass in hand and shall and say

"Here's tae Scotla[illegible] and St. Andrew's Day

John R[illegible]
Pres't, Winnipeg St. Andrew's Lodge.

Ottawa, Nov. 27, 1901.

To President St. Andrew's Society Rat Portage.

Fraternal greetings to the birthdays of your society. Nae reflections on mows not so favored.

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The banquet prepared in the H[illegible] House was voted one of the finest ever spread. There were numerous dishes which have been famous from time immemorial, and where ancient custom was lacking modern Scough delicacies stepp into the breach and made the board complete. The Haggis of [illegible] honored memory was in evidence, and so delicious was this national dish discovered to be that in many times was heard the cry "Who made it?"

Mr. W. A. Weir was chairman of the evening and his opening remarks put off present at their ease. Mr. Weir is an ideal chairman for a kind of a function, but at a St. Andrew's dinner he is incomparable. This was the general and unanimous verdict after last Friday night, and many will remember his few hours reigning the presiding chair as one of the most delightful experiences in years. The toast list, while being regaled, was cunningly arranged so that the brightest wits and most stirring orators seemed to drop in just at the right time. After "The King" and the "Governor-General," the "President of the United States" was responded to by Consular Agent Frisbie, who was in his happiest vein. Mr. A. M. Hay and Chief Robertson responded to "Bonnie Scotland." Major Carmichael did the honors military to the toast, "Imperial Forces." The toast "Canada, the Land we Live in," brought forth Dr. Marshall, and afterwards was the honor of introducing to Rat Portage Mr. [illegible] E. Mackenzie, a gentleman of [illegible] Scotchman may be pardoned for [illegible] proud of a fellow Scot, for he is undoubtedly one of the most brilliant speakers who has [illegible] his b[illegible] amongst us. His [illegible] "Canada, was a large one and [illegible] up in a large manner, and [illegible] showed that he was not of [illegible] on [illegible] which [illegible] but that [illegible] was [illegible] by a gift of [illegible] the wer[illegible] that to we men to great de[illegible] Mr. Nairn, B.A., followed in response to the toast "Scottish Song and Story," and charmed his hearers with a choice selection of anecdotes and witticisms. Judge Chapple and Dr. Schmair spoke to "Kindred Societies," and A. M. Rose and J. F. McGillivray responded to "The Lassies."

Messrs. Robertson, Hay and McLean sang songs, and Mr. Spence the pipes did blaw.

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THE HEAVY TAXPAYER.

When Artaxerxés, surnamed Longimanus, reigned in Persia, there was a certain man who lived in the ninth satrpy in a town called Hamadan, his name was Bradonius, and he owned some dwelling houses the which he rented to the artisans of the place, who regularly paid the rental moneys at New Year. As the years passed he built more dwellings that he might rent them to the industrious artisans, and in order to do so borrowed large sums of money from the Jews, paying an usurious interest thereon.

He became wealthy, but strange to say as his wealth increased, he gradually lost his peace of mind, and he was wont to lament bitterly, and bemoan his fate, crying in the streets "pity me for I am sore oppressed, I have to pay enormous taxes to the Satrap, and now behold he is building great caravan roads throughout the province, and I will have to pay heavier taxes than ever."

And then Bradonius would mount the rostrum and speak to the artisans saying: "The Satrap is pursuing a policy of provincial profligacy, and black ruin stares us in the face. Let us petition the king to remove this reckless man, that I, Bradonius may be made Satrap to rule in his place, for behold I have your interest at heart. I pay heavy taxes and I should have the say, as to how my money should be spent."

And the Satrap hearing these things from his trusty couriers, dispatched his secretary, one Uffiz, to Hamadan, to confer with Bradonius, and to show him the error of his ways, but he would not listen to the wise counsels of Uffiz, who said he would then be forced to speak to the artisans. But Bradonius having spoken to them thought that they would prove loyal to his cause, and therefore he defied Uffiz and told him to take the rostrum if he pleased, as such a course could not advance the cause of the Satrap.

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murder is upon your heads. Poor man, he had neither kith nor kin, and his houses and lands are now the property of the state. I go now to stop the work on the roads, but before I take my leave I here proclaim that every artisan who has lived in one of the heaviest taxpayers' houses for five years doth now own the house; it is a present to him from the state. Ah, yes, you speak of the roads, and you would have the work proceed. Certainly it shall be as you wish, and when I return to the Satrap I will tell him you are loyal subjects of Iran and that you never complain against the payment of taxes."

There has been a general election in Colombia Central America and the Liberals have been defeated. The government is sustained, and both parties are now cleaning their muzzle-loading, so that they will be ready for the next general election which may not take place until next year.

The indications for a big ice crop this year are bright, but the greatest anxiety exists in regard to snow. It is now December and wheeled rigs are still in use. It will be too bad if we have to wait until January 6th for the first large fall of snow.

The man with the hoe, Mr. Markham, has been writing more poetry. This time he starts off with:—

"I thank Thee Father for this sky
Wherin the little sparrows fly"

Does Edwin expect the sky was made for sparrows to WALK in?

The entomologist who made the statement that a mosquito only lives 24 hours is a prevaricator. Mrs. G. P. Phillips caught a mosquito in her dining room last week and sent it to the Miner, and the rascally pest is living yet in a small bottle, and we honestly believe that if we allowed him his freedom, he would be ungrateful enough to bite someone.

The Hudson's Bay Company in Winnipeg, have a five-page advertisement in one of the Saturday dailies, which strikes us as being the greatest piece of commercial advertising ever done in Canada. We do not judge it by its size so much as by the exceedingly clever way in which it is written. The reader can sit at home and litterally turn the huge H. B. stores inside out and examine almost every article and find out its price in half an hour.

Saturday's Free Press contains a vigorous editorial on the duty of the Manitoba government as regards the prohibition act. There is some talk of the government adopting the referendum principal, and going back to the people again to ask them whether they really meant it when they asked for prohibition. The Free Press says the government's plain duty is to enforce that new liquor law, and is so emphatic about it that the reader finishes the article with the impression in his mind that the Free Press thinks the law cannot be enforced.

TRICK PHOTOGRAPHY

SOME LIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE TRUTHFUL CAMERA.

Simple Mechanism or Juggling With Perspective Brings Odd Results. The Man In the Bottle—Making a Fat Woman Thin.

The notion that the camera cannot lie has become one of the few fixed tenets of popular belief; but, while this opinion is true in the strictest interpretation of the phrase, yet the man behind the lens or he who has charge of the developing process can so manipulate the unsuspecting instrument or the equally innocent negative that even a camera endowed with the sense of perception it would never recognize its own handiwork.

Of late years trick photography and fake photographs have become distinct features of the photographer's art, and effects are easily produced which belie the subjects at which the camera is aimed. But the question naturally arises, How can this be done when the camera has to record the impression of things as they are? It is by juggling with the perspective or by simple mechanism only that these apparent phenomena in the photographic line are produced.

In the first place it is necessary to understand that there is a difference between trick photography and so called "fake" photography. The term "fake" photography is applied to the transposition of subjects from the original background to a new one in which the person or group taken may never have been. It is "trick" photography which is the more interesting, as it calls for a certain amount of cleverness and ingenuity on the part of the operator.

One of the best examples of this sort of picture taking is the photographing of a person in a bottle. Now of course no studio is possessed of a glass bottle large enough to hold a human being, and the dullest beholder must suspect a trick. The explanation, however, of the manner in which it is done is surprisingly simple.

In this instance a single plate is used. The subject to be taken in the bottle is first placed in front of a black background and taken with a carefully timed exposure of just enough duration to bring out the object distinctly. Then the empty bottle is placed against a dark background, and, after carefully adjusting the focus so that the object first taken may be well within the lines of the neck, bottom and sides of the bottle, a picture of this bottle is taken on the same plate at just twice the exposure of the first object photographed. When the plate is developed, the bottle naturally comes up first, with the first impression neatly inside, as it appears.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

UNDER and by virtue of the terms contained in a certain mortgage which will be produced at the time of the sale there will be offered for sale by Public Auction by R. J. Parrott, Auctioneer, at the Billiard House, in the Town of Rat Portage, on **Monday, the 16th day of December, 1901, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon,** the following desirable building lots, namely: Lots Number Twenty-Two (22) and Twenty-Three (23) in the Town of Rat Portage, as shown on a plan of subdivision of a part of the Western Lumber Company's Mill Location filed in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage as Plan M 8.

For terms and conditions of sale apply to ALLAN McLENNAN, Rat Portage, Ont., Solicitor for the vendor.

Dated this 14th day of November, A. D. 1901. 162,165

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"But why are these roads being built? For the convenience of Bradonius? No, for he is no trader, neither does he work in bronze or lacquer, or send merchandise to Issus—and yet he has to pay taxes for the roads. Yes, it is unjust. You need not groan, for I know you are haters of injustice, and lovers of fair weights and measures.

"Why indeed should Bradonius pay when he produces nothing to send to the Mediterranean? But if he produces nothing, you ask, how does he live? The answer is simple: He borrows money and builds dwellings which you live in and pay for. If you did not live in those houses, he would not pay his taxes nor his interest to the Jews. But, I see you would ask 'If we pay his taxes and his interest to the Jews, and we be workers of bronze and lacquer, and the caravan roads are being built that the bronzes and lacquers may be taken to Issus for sale, then surely the money we pay Bradonius should be held in sacred trust to pay the road taxes.'

"Unswer, it is even so—nay, do not growl upon Bradonius, for he is a heavy taxpayer and a worthy citizen Bamadan. Yes the roads are being built to facilitate trade. Your money is paying for the roads, but if Bradonius withholds from the Satrap the money you give him in rent, part of which the Satrap is using on the roads then the Satrap must needs abandon the work and allow Bradonius to keep the money, which you gave him in trust, and convert it to his own use. Nay, do not molest Bradonius, for have you not said that you were proud of your fellow citizen, and that he was a heavy taxpayer? Hold! Release him from those bonds—ah, you have struck him and he bleeds. You are ungrateful hounds to strike your esteemed fellow citizen and heaviest taxpayer. Alas, he is dying, and his ...piece of commercial advertising ever done in Canada. We do not judge it by its size so much as by the exceedingly clever way in which it is written. The reader can sit at home and litterally turn the huge H. B. stores inside out and examine almost every article and find out its price in half an hour.

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T. B. DEVANEY DEAD.

Mr. T. B. Devaney, one of the best known commercial travellers in the west, died suddenly at Wetaskiwin, Alta, on Saturday last. Deceased was a brother of Mr. Devaney, at one time a joint proprietor with Mr. J.C. Brady of the Queen's hotel here. The late Mr. Devaney was the western representative of Messrs. W. R. Brock & Co., the well known Toronto importers. His headquarters were formerly in Toronto, but three years ago Mr. Devaney removed his family to Winnipeg, taking up resikence at 294 Furby street, Mrs. Daveney with five children, three boys and two girls, the eldest 13 years of age, survive a loving husband and father.

STORIES IN THE COMPANION.

In the fifty-two issues of its volume for 1902 The Youth's Companion will publish between two hundred and three hundred good stories. Four series of stories which promise to be exceptionally entertaining will be "Tales of a Deep-Sea Diver," "Tales of a Circus Hand," "Tales of a Mississippi Pilot," and "Tales of an Indian Agent." There will be four stories in each group.

Among the contributors of fiction during 1902 will be Annie Fellows Johnson, Eva Wilder Brodhead, Arthur E. McFarlane, Homer Greene, Ellsworth E. Kelly, Elia W. Peattie, Grace M. Galliger, Alice Morgan, Elizabeth Mc Cracken, C. A. Stephens, Alice Brown, John London, H. S. Canfield, Margret Johnson, Edward W. Thomson, Carroll W. Rankin, May Roberts Clark, Sarah Orne Jewett, Margret Sangster, Marshall Saunders, and Sarah Elliott.

A full Announcement of the new volume will be sent to any address on request. The new subscriber for 1902 who sends $1.75 for the new volume at once will receive free all the remaining issues for 1901, including the double Holiday numbers; also the Companion Calendar for 1902, lithographed in twelve colors and gold.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION.
195 Covumbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

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...were parallel and members of the theatrical profession noised by the publication of a series of photographs of popular actresses who are noted for their ample proportions as much as for their ability to entertain large audiences. But in the pictures they were shown with sylphlike forms, although the productions were unmistakably photographs. At first it was claimed that the deception was caused by the employment of mirrors, but in reality it was merely taking advantage of one of the elementary laws of perspective.

A certain corpulent actress was posing for her picture in the studio of a theatrical publication. The photographer had placed her at a dressing table. But in order to create the illusion of a dressing room he found he would have to use a side piece. This he did and in choosing one took a screen on which was the lithograph of a wedding bouquet upon. Greatly to his surprise when the plate was developed the picture of the actress came out all right, but the woman on the poster was shown as having a tall and extremely thin figure. It then occurred to the experimenter that the camera had caught the reflected rays from the screen at a tangent, and the surface, being flat, consequently showed its horizontal lines considerably narrowed.

He then considered the idea of reproducing in a similar manner the photographs of celebrities of ample girth, which made a double hit.

Another surprising spectacle is that of a person or group shown twice on one plate. This is done by covering half the plate for the first exposure and then covering the unused half for a second picture while the first is kept carefully screened from the light. By the employment of mirrors, many queer effects may be introduced, but that savors a little stronger of charlatanism.

The fake photograph is mainly the product of the exigencies of the modern illustrated daily and the general "cussed ness" of celebrities when they ought to be together instead of staying far enough apart to be out of common focus. The fake photograph ought only to be used as a last resort, but they are so easily made that they are resorted to on the lightest provocation.

These photographs come into play mainly when group pictures are wanted, and the shears and pastepot go far to their making. For instance, suppose an ocean liner is to sail on which are booked a few senators, a duke, a party of jockeys and a popular actress. To get the picture of the pier and ship is an easy matter, but to be fortunate enough to obtain at the same time those of the well known passengers [illegible] different [illegible]. This difficulty [illegible] around by the photographer [illegible] the picture of the surroundings [illegible] a background and then taking [illegible] plates those of such of the voyagers [illegible] of whom they happen [illegible] a photo in stock. After the [illegible] be pictures of the individuals [illegible] after first being reduced to [illegible] size, pasted on the de[illegible] and the whole is reproduced [illegible] half tone. In [illegible] of the high towers [illegible] transposed to the top of [illegible] poles [illegible] inferred by the unprofessional [illegible] such a subject may be placed [illegible] ground.

Then there are [illegible] photographs, a combination of fortuitous circumstances for which the amateur is generally responsible. But that is another story.

Echoes of Bankruptcy.

The Bankrupt—Though I shall have my flowers. Fresh and sparkling in the morning sun, they'll still be my joy.

Sympathetic Friend—That's strange. They ought to remind you of your trouble.

The Bankrupt—Why?

Sympathetic Friend—Because, like your bills, they are all over dew.—New York Times.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
TO SEND IN CLAIMS.

Judicial Notice to Creditors, Contributories and Shareholders of the Rat Portage Fish Company, Limited.

PURSUANT to the Winding-up Order made by the High Court of Justice in the Matter of the Rat Portage Fish Company, Limited, and in the matter of the Winding-up Act, being Chapter 129 of the Revised Statutes of Canada 1886 and Amending Acts and dated the 18th day of November, 1901, the creditors of the above named Company and all others having claims against the said Company having its Head Offices at the Town of Rat Portage are, on or before the **Fourteenth Day of December, A. D. 1901,** to send by post pre-paid to the undersigned at his chambers, Rat Portage, Ontario, their christian names and surnames, addresses and descriptions the full particulars verified by oath of their claims, and the nature and amount of their securities, if any, held by them, and the specified value of said securities, or in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefits of the said winding-up order.

The undersigned will on the the 17th day of December, A. D., 1901, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon at his chambers in the Court House, at Rat Portage, hear the statements of creditors and shareholders of the said Company and take such evidence as may be necessary.

And also take notice that the undersigned will, at the same time and place, appoint a permanent liquidator of the above Company, and let all parties interested then attend.

Dated this 23rd day of November, A.D. 1901.

T. W. CHAPPLE,
Local Master S. C. J.

Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of Elizabeth Dahm, Rat Portage, Trader.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Elizabeth Dahm, of the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, has made an assignment under R.S.O., 1897, Chap. 147, and amending acts, of all her estate, credits and effects, to William George Barclay, of the Town of Rat Portage, Accountant, for the general benefit of her creditors.

A meeting of her creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned solicitor, on **Saturday, the 7th day of December, 1901, at the hour of 4 o'clock in the Afternoon,** to receive a statement of affairs, and to appoint inspectors, and fix their remuneration, and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally.

Creditors are requested to file their claims with the Assignee, with the proofs and particulars thereof required by the said acts, on or before the day of such meeting.

And notice is further given, that after the 7th day of December, 1901, the Assignee will proceed to distribute the assets of the debtor amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have had notice.

W. G. BARCLAY, Assignee.
By his Solicitor,
J. EDWARD BIRD,
Imperial Block,
Rat Portage.

FROM THE PRAIRIE CITY

Interesting Items of News From our Winnipeg Correspondent.

"The Casino Girl" was the attraction at the Winnipeg theatre last week. Friday and Saturday saw large audiences assemble to enjoy the much talked of musical and theatrical treat. The stage costumes were elegant and the dancing was perfect and in many respects wonderful. The singing was perhaps the weakest feature. Mr. Frank Bernard as "Pilsner Pasha," Mr. Harry Short as "Giggs," and Miss Clara Palmer as "The Casino Girl" were decided successes.

Among the many theatrical attractions for December are "The Burgomaster," "Peg Woffington," "Shore Acres," Morrison's "Faust," and the Royal Italian Band.

An organization of the musicians and dramatists of the city has been effected by some of the enthusiasts of music and drama. This organization is known as the Western Canada Music and Amusement Bureau, and its object is to systematize engagements for concerts, etc., in Winnipeg, the province, and the northwest territories. Among those who occupy a prominent position in this bureau is Mr. Phillin McRitchie, who is recognized throughout the city as one of its most talented musicians. Town Topics of last week has a very neat cut of Mr. McRitchie on one of its prominent pages.

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NOT HIS FAULT.

A Man Who Became an Involuntary Train Robber.

"How I became a train robber on a midnight train between New York and Washington is one of the most thrilling experiences I have had recently," said a valuable member of Uncle Sam's staff of secret service men to a reporter yesterday.

"I crawled into my berth in Jersey City about 12 o'clock on a hot night, and after I had squirmed out of my clothes and was ready to cramp myself up for a sleep I became aware that I needed a drink of water very much. I, however, made no attempt to call the obliging porter and dozed off, still thinking of the drink of water which I did not have. You can imagine the sensation which went through me when, as the train was whizzing along, I was brought back to wakefulness by the realization that some one had spoken to me. It was a woman's voice, and her words, although spoken in a low tone, seemed to have made a deep impression on my brain. She had said:

"'Here, darling, drink this.'

"At the same time something cool touched my hand. I could not have been fully awake, for the only thing that impressed me was that here was my drink. I did not seem to realize where I was or to comprehend who was offering me the water. I simply raised up on my elbow and grasped the proffered draft. As I did so a delicate little hand released hold of a silver mug with a suddenness that spilled the water and the voice that had commanded me to drink uttered a startled exclamation. I heard the rustle of the curtains of some nearby berth, and then all was quiet.

"What was there for me to do? Nothing. I immediately saw that a mistake had been made, and I again resumed my slumber, with the mug as a bedfellow. It was a silver mug with a gold lining and had an artistic monogram engraved on its outer surface. The next morning I looked around me, after the car had been made once more into a day apartment. In the section adjoining mine there sat a very comely woman of youthful appearance, with a small, curly headed boy. I felt sure she was the owner of the mug, but how to get it to her I did not know. While I was deliberating the train stopped and the woman arose to leave the car. I hastened to my feet, fished out the mug and started after her. After tipping my hat and begging her pardon I said my most unconcerned manner, 'I believe you are leaving your drinking cup.'

"The woman looked very stern and nearly took me off my [illegible] replying most positively:

"'You must be [illegible] taken. T[illegible] cup does not belong to me.

"After she left the [illegible] I had [illegible] to Indiana canvass for [illegible] claimed it, and as I [illegible] that began with [illegible] gradually [illegible] to the [illegible] had [illegible] the [illegible] mug."

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

The [illegible] radish [illegible] for pa[illegible] A [illegible] bro[illegible]

Or[illegible] have [illegible] is the [illegible] a chi[illegible]

Don't, don't, don't turn kerosene [illegible] stove in order to light a fire. Ke[illegible] vinegar cans full of kerosene, so when [illegible] kind [illegible] a match [illegible] it.

Cracker crumbs, it is said, will clean white kid gloves. Put on the gloves, take a handful of cracker crumbs and manipulate the hands as though you were washing them.

Mildew may be removed by applying to the spot outside soap shavings boiled down to a thick paste, sprinkling over this powdered potash, and leaving slightly and bleaching on the grass.

To clean bedticking without removing it spread on the stuff a paste made of soft soap and starch. When dry [illegible]

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WEAK AND NERVOUS.

MAGISTRATE DAUPHINE'S DEPLORABLE CONDITION.

Despite Medical Treatment, He Became Weaker and Weaker, Until He Could Scarcely Sign His Name.

Mr. James Dauphine, of East Bridgewater, or as he is better known as ex-councillor Dauphine, has been a sick man for the last three years. His health gradually forsook him, until by degrees he was forced to give up doing all kinds of work. He consulted a physician and took a large quantity of medicine, but it did him no good and he gradually grew weaker and weaker. His duties as a magistrate necessitated his doing much writing, and being such an excellent penman in his days of good health it came very hard to him when his hand shook so much that he could scarcely keep it steady enough to sign his name. His daughter, seeing his deplorable condition, advised him to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after a bit of coaxing he was induced to try them.

There was no noticeable change in his condition until he had started taking the third box. From that on the improvement was rapid. He grew stronger every day, his appetite increased, the weariness and lassitude departed from his limbs, some of the lustre of his youth returned to his eye, and by the time five boxes were used, Mr. Dauphine felt a new man. The weight of years and the burden of sickness, his hand is now steady and his pen can run as rapidly as ever. He attributes his cure to the ministration of a good wife and Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. Dauphin is 73 years of age, but feels as young and vigorous as he did years ago, and is ever ready to praise in the warmest terms of health-giving qualities of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are the friend of the weak and ailing. They surpass all other medicines in their tonic, strengthening qualities, and despondent people bright, active and healthy. These pills are sold by all dealers in medicine, or can be had by mail, post paid, at 50 cents per box, or 6 boxes for $2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

The cleaning of a horseradish grater puzzles some housekeepers. A whisk-broom is the thing.

One of the most useful articles a housekeeper can have is an ironing board cover made to fit the board and buttoning on one side like a child's dress.

Don't, don't, don't turn kerosene into the stove in order to light a fire. Keep a oyster can full of kerosene, and when you want quick kindlings dip a corncob or two in it.

Cracker crumbs, it is said, will clean tan suede kid gloves. Put on the gloves, take a handful of cracker crumbs and manipulate the hands as though you were washing them.

Mildew may be removed by applying to the spot castile soap shavings boiled down to a thick paste, scattering over this powdered potash, moistening slightly and bleaching on the grass.

To clean bedticking without removing it spread on the stains a paste made of soft soap and starch. When dry, scrape it off with a dull knife, sweep clean with a whisk and then wipe off with a clean wet sponge.

Chased brasswork may be cleaned first washing it in hot soap and water and then, after thoroughly drying, polishing it with a lemon cut in halves. When it has the appearance of being clean, rinse in warm water, dry and polish with a chamois. Powders should never be used in cleaning chased brass.

A Remarkable Relic.

For the last 600 years there has been preserved in the Cathedral of Genoa an emerald vase of hexagonal shape. Its principal diameter measures 12½ inches and its height 5¾ inches. This article is secured under several locks, the keys of which are in different hands. It is but rarely exhibited in public, and that only on a decree of the senate. When brought out for exhibition, the vessel is slung to the neck of the officiating priest by means of a cord fastened to both its handles, and he never allows it to pass out of his hands. By an ancient decree of May 24, 1476, it is forbidden to touch the vase or go too near it. During the siege of Genoa, in 1319, this vase was pledged to Cardinal Lne de Fresque for 1,200 gold marks, but it was subsequently redeemed. A citizen of Genoa has written a book in order to prove that the vase was a gift presented to Colomba by the Queen of Sheba.

The Progress of Art.

Joakley—That's a clever bit.

Coakley—Yes; that's by Jotsam. He's a promising marine painter. Do you know, he painted it as a boy of seven.

Joakley—Ah! Once a hewer of wood and now a drawer of water.

Old Fashioned.

Miss Quicksteps—I declare I'm almost ashamed to be seen in company with Maud Harkaway these days!

Miss Flypp—So am I. She does such horrid old fashioned things. Look at her now! Playing like a great, big, bashful boy!

All Making the Best of It.

"Young Sniggins was so troubled about his debts that he joined a dyspepsia society."

"Yes?"

"And he found its members in the same fix. Six of the men he cured."

The waste from bad cooking in the United States is estimated at $1,000,000,000 a year. This includes no doubt the undertakers' bills.—Atlanta Journal.

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Parcel No. 1—Lot Number Six of sinate at Norman, in the Municipality of Rat Portage, containing one acre more or less as shown on plan of survey by T. R. Deacon, O.L.S., dated 23rd August, 1898, of record in the Department of Crown Lands.

Parcel No. 2—Location D104, sinate on the north side of the Winnipeg river, immediately adjoining the west limit of the Municipality of Rat Portage, in the said Municipality, and containing 52 acres more or less, as shown on plan of survey by T. R. Deacon, O.L.S., dated 20th August, 1894, of record in the Department of Crown Lands, with the exception of those portions at the southwest corner conveyed to Eliza Dixon, May Dixon and William J. Dixon, as shown on plan of record to charge 1057.

The above parcels will be sold separately.

On Parcel No. 1 is said to be erected a one and one-half story frame dwelling house with a bakery attached, and is suitable for the business of a baker.

On Parcel No. 2 is said to be erected a log house and barn, and suitable for farm purposes.

Terms: 10% of the purchase money at the time of sale, and the balance in 30 days thereafter.

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Poor Copy

Mrs. D. C. Cameron is still very ill the physician stating that she is suffering from la grippe.

Mr. Sam Savage, the traveling representative of the Macpherson Fruit Company, Winnipeg, was in town this week.

Mrs. Blatchford, of St. Paul, is here attending her mother, Mrs. Alexander who lies dangerously ill at Mrs. H. F. Holmes', Water street. Old timers will remember Mrs. Blatchford as Miss Alexander, the vocalist who was a resident of Rat Portage in the early days.

Town Solicitor McLennan was taken seriously ill on Saturday last with syncope and has not been in his office since. He is improving gradually.

Manager Strong arrived from the Sultana this morning, driving over the ice. He will return tomorrow

Mr. G. A. Sterling, of Toronto, secretary of the Manufacturer's Life, is in town.

Rev. Father Baudin, of Keewatin, is now making his headquarters at the priest's house here. The Father's numerous friends are pleased to see him back here again.

Fireman Hill, of the C. P. R., got his face badly cut and scalded by the bursting of the water guage in his engine.

ALL-OVER-CANADA ITEMS.

Boiled Down into Readable Paragraphs for Busy People.

Jas. Watters, a C.N.R. telegraph operator, was committed at Dauphin to stand trial for stealing. He escaped from the police on the way down to Portage la Prairie.

The dinner to Gen. Buller in London Saturday night was disappointing, the general's speech being cautious in tone. There was a big procession of sympathizers Sunday.

Nobody without a permit will be allowed after Jan. 1 to land in British South Africa.

C.P.R land sales for November were 152,000 acres; and for the year nearly 700,000.

Prince Henry is very unpopular at The Hague. He has returned to Queen Wilhelmina.

The Boers made an unsuccessful attempt to break the block house cordon west of Middleburg.

THE ACTORS' POSTOFFICE.

Schemers and All Outsiders Are Barred From Its Use.

Out of the thousands of professions that of the stage is probably the only one which can boast that a busy postoffice is maintained for its exclusive benefit. To those few laymen who know of this office's existence it is known as "the Actors' postoffice." To the members of the profession, for which it is intended, it is known far and wide as "The Mirror." No other letters but those intended for members of the theatrical profession are received at this postoffice, and a most rigid censorship is exercised. Outsiders and schemers who might try to use the office for their own purposes would fail at the outset, for their missives would be promptly sent to the general delivery.

The actors' postoffice was established many years ago in a corner of the office of The Dramatic Mirror, a newspaper devoted to the affairs of stageland. It has never been a very large office, but its business and importance to its clients have both increased to such an extent that it is now a recognized and necessary institution. It is also one of the busiest little offices in the United States, for nowadays no actor or actress troubles to give a private address. It is taken for granted that all correspondents know that the easiest and quickest method of sending a letter to a theatrical person is to send it to The Mirror office.

In this way the little office has become the clearing house for all theatrical correspondence. Most traveling theatrical companies furnish a printed route list, with the name of each town and the date at which each theater will be visited during the season, accompanied in each instance by the date. Thus the actor's friends know where and when to write to him at all times during the season. It

DR. CROZIER'S WORK.

A Canadian in London Who Is Winning the Highest Kind of Literary Recognition and Deservedly So.

M. A. P. contains the following interesting reference to the latest work of Dr. Crozier, the well-known Canadian author:

"Dr. Crozier has just published a new volume in his great series on the 'History of Intellectual Development on the Lines of Modern Evolution.' The extraordinary courage with which this wonderful man has stuck to this gigantic undertaking is one of the finest chapters in the history of letters. I told the full story in these columns some years ago [illegible] only here repeat that [illegible] ago Dr. Crozier, then a [illegible] for it practice, was seized with [illegible] of writing a history of [illegible] mental development [illegible] and all the confusion [illegible] chaos and anarchy [illegible] of time and [illegible] the [illegible] of Greek [illegible] The Roman [illegible] that of [illegible] the Buddhist [illegible] he thought he could [illegible] connecting and [illegible] and to trace [illegible] great [illegible] life [illegible] struck [illegible] grasped so wide a sphere of human knowledge. A critic in The Daily News said very just [illegible] that to know Dr. Crozier's books was to know several libraries. And it is just that feeling I always have when I take up one of the volumes in which he has set forth his philosophy. I was able to form

Items of Local Interest

The Rummage shop in the Clougher block is doing a good business under the management of Mrs. Baker. The proceeds of this sale go to the Humane Society.

Manager Wilson announces that the Victoria skating rink will be opened tomorrow evening, when the Citizen's band will be in attendance.

Mr. A. Alexander arrived here last night from Big Falls, Mont., having been summoned by a telegram announcing the illness of his mother.

The Board of Trade held their regular monthly meeting last night.

Mr. Smaille, M. E., arrived yesterday from Sturgeon Lake where he was in charge of one of the newly opened gold mines.

Arthur Swinford, the old time Winnipeg defence player, who has been in Rat Portage, for the past three seasons, will be with his old club this year.

Mr. Hub Austin has been appointed local agent of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Jno. Brady, of the Queen's, left for Winnipeg today, to attend the fu[illegible] of the late Thos. B. Devaney.

Mr. [illegible] leaves for the east in a few days, for a pleasure trip.

The Hospital Aid Society will hold an afternoon tea at the residence of Mrs. P. H. Clark on Thursday Dec. 12, from 3 to 6 in the afternoon. An admission fee of 15 cents will be charged, and the proceeds will go into the fund of the society. All are welcome.

Councillor Cameron is rapidly regaining health and strength, and will be able to return to business in about a week.

Town Solicitor McLennan was taken seriously ill on Saturday last with syncope and has not been in his office since. He is improving gradually.

Manager Strong arrived from the Sultana this morning, driving over the ice. He will return tomorrow.

Mr. G. A. Sterling, of Toronto, secretary of the Manufacturer's Life, is in town.

Rev. Father Baudin, of Keewatin, is now making his headquarters at the priest's house here. The Father's numerous friends are pleased to see him back here again.

Fireman Hill, of the C. P. R., got his face badly cut and scalded by the bursting of the water guage in his engine.

The Finance Committee of the town council held a special meeting last night.

Resident-Director Deacon returned last night from a trip to the Mikado mine.

An interesting experiment is being tried in New Brunswick. Rev. A. B. Sears, pastor of the Livingston avenue Baptist church in that town, has opened a nursery in connection with the church, where skilful nurses take charge of babies while the mothers attend the services of the church.

Portage la Prairie.

The dinner to Gen. Buller in London Saturday night was disappointing, the general's speech being cautious in tone. There was a big procession of sympathizers Sunday.

Nobody without a permit will be allowed after Jan. 1 to land in British South Africa.

C.P.R land sales for November were 152,000 acres; and for the year nearly 700,000.

Prince Henry is very unpopular at The Hague. He has returned to Queen Wilhelmina.

The Boers made an unsuccessful attempt to break the block house cordon west of Middleburg.

Louis Salic was arrested at Hartney, on a charge of murder, committed near Cartwright, Man.

Thirty vessels loaded wheat at Fort William last week, and C. P. R. elevators are almost empty.

Baron Aylmer of Richmond, Que., is dead.

W. Pittman dropped dead at Woodstock.

Mrs. John Mather of Nixon, Ont., was killed by a G.T.R. train.

J. Marchand of Three Rivers, Que., was killed in action in South Africa.

A Portage la Prairie firm bought a horse and rig that had been stolen in Winnipeg.

The Dominion government has let the contract for the purchase of horses for Canadian Yeomanry.

The rates for telephones in Neepawa, Man., are, business $20, residence $10.

PROMPTLY SENT TO THE GENERAL DELIVERY.

The actors' postoffice was established many years ago in a corner of the office of The Dramatic Mirror, a newspaper devoted to the affairs of stageland. It has never been a very large office, but its business and importance to its clients have both increased to such an extent that it is now a recognized and necessary institution. It is also one of the busiest little offices in the United States, for nowadays no actor or actress troubles to give a private address. It is taken for granted that all correspondents know that the easiest and quickest method of sending a letter to a theatrical person is to send it to The Mirror office.

In this way the little office has become the clearing house for all theatrical correspondence. Most traveling theatrical companies furnish a printed route list, with the name of each town and the date at which each theater will be visited during the season, accompanied in each instance by the date. Thus the actor's friends know where and when to write to him at all times during the season. It happens sometimes that an acquaintance is not sure of the route, and this is where the little postoffice comes in. The letter is sent in care of The Mirror, which publishes each week a list of all letters received. These are held until called for or sent for. An actor who is playing in San Francisco, for example, will glance through the letter list and, finding his name there, will send a stamp to the postmistress, who will forward his letter to any place on his route, according to instructions.

If a theatrical manager wishes to communicate with an actor whose address he does not know, he sends the letter through The Mirror, feeling sure that it will reach him through that medium. Thus the little postmistress is kept busy, while many amusing incidents occur just outside her iron grating. She might tell some sad stories, too, if she were so minded, of letters that never came and humorous anecdotes of the pompous demeanor of some players who come to inquire for letters with as tragic a mien as though they were enacting a scene from "Hamlet." Pathetic is the daily recurring call of the actor who, in answer to an inquiry, has written to tell some manager "the lowest salary for which I shall play the part" and who hopes to be signed and returned. Each day he peers inquiringly through the grating, at first with easy self assurance, then more wistfully, as no reply is had. At last the poor fellow is forced to "consider silence a polite negative," and he retires crestfallen and disappointed.

Spearing Muskrats.

The most destructive mode of capturing the muskrat is by spearing. Four or five rods of iron three or fo[illegible] long are secured in a cross section frame of wood or iron, and their points are [illegible] sharpened, and with this the hunter approaches the ratt[illegible] [illegible] side, as the imm[illegible] [illegible] the alert and if [illegible] run down the [illegible] into the leads. Stepping to the the house the hunter [illegible] and plunges the spears down in as far as he can [illegible] them, pick he pulls the [illegible] frequently finds two or three [illegible] and somet[illegible] impaled [illegible]

The Trouble With the Cake.

When a cake contains too much flour or has baked too fast, it will sink from the edges or rise up sharply with a crack in the middle. If cake has a coarse grain, it was not beaten enough or the oven was too slow.

Some men owe all they have in this world to others and some owe a lot more than they have.

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LAND TITLES ACT.

Mortgage Sale

OF VALUABLE PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF RAT PORTAGE.

UNDER power of sale contained in a certain charge of mortgage which will be produced at the time of sale there will be sold by Public Auction at the Hilliard House in the Town of Rat Portage by R. J. Parrott, Auctioneer, on **Saturday the 21st day of December, A. D. 1901, at the Hour of 12 O'Clock, Noon,** the following valuable property, namely:—

That certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the said Town of Rat Portage containing two and one half acres more or less and registered in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage as parcel 1487 and which may be more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Block "H"; thence due North along the dividing line between Block L and H three chains; thence due west five chains; thence due South 6 chains thence due East one chain and ninety-seven links; thence following the line of the road allowance to the the place of beginning being part of the said Block L as shown on Plan M. 14 of record in the Office of Land Titles at Rat Portage, which said property is more recently described as Parcel No. 1004 and being Lot Nos. Seven (7) as shown on Plan M. 25 registered in the Office of Land Titles at Rat Portage.

On the said lot is said to be erected a two and one half story frame shingle roof dwelling house 16x20 feet with stone foundation.

Terms—Ten per cent of the purchase money at the time of sale and the balance in thirty days thereafter.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

ALLAN McLENNAN,
Solicitor, etc., Rat Portage,
Solicitor for vendors

Dated at Rat Portage this 18th day of November, A. D. 1901.